



THANKS.

LIYUU.

... YEAH.

SENNA.

I... I CALLED HIM LIYUU...

I CALLED HIM LIYUU ON MY OWN...

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IT'S
LIKE...
WE'RE
FRIENDS!

Chapter 9 * "Uryuu" and "Sena"





ON THE DAY I MET HIM, I WAS HURRYING TO SCHOOL TO VOICE MY DISAPPROVAL OF THE MURDER.

I HATE CHANGE.



I HATED THAT CHANGE, AND IN MY PANIC, I GOT LOST IN MY WAY THAT WAS WHEN I MET SAKURINO.



SAKURINO WAS SUCH A GOOD GIRL, AND BY TALKING TO HER, I WAS ABLE TO REVERT TO MY USUAL SELF.

SHE WAS LOST, JUST LIKE ME.



LETTING OUTSIDERS, BOYS IN OTHER WORDS, ENTER A PLACE FOR GIRLS...



YES...
RIGHT FROM
THE START,
HE WAS
DIFFERENT
FROM THE
OTHER
GUYS.

HE'S
SOFT-
HEARTED,
AND KEEPS
WORRYING
ABOUT
WHAT'S
HAPPENING
AROUND
HIM...



HE WAS...
THE OLDER
BROTHER OF
MY NEW
FRIEND.



HE WAS
ALSO THE
ONE WHO
FOUND OUT
ABOUT MY
TRUE LIFE-
STYLE...



ARGH!
I CAN'T
CALM
DOWN!

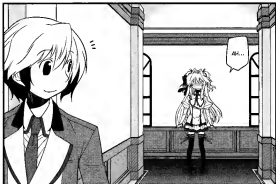


WHY ISN'T
THERE ANY
SCHOOL
DURING THE
WEEKEND??

NEXT
WEEK-SAN,
NEXT
WEEK-SAN...
PLEASE
COME
FASTER
AND LET
ME MEET
HIM...



I WANT
TO MAKE
SURE...
THAT
HE'S
DIFFER-
ENT...





I-I WORKED
A LOT
DURING THE
WEEKEND,
SO I WAS
KINDA
SLEEPY
LAST
NIGHT...

GENA,
YOU'RE
THE TYPE
WHO
TAKES
BATHS
IN THE
MORN-
ING?



I'VE BEEN
TRYING TO
SAY WHAT-
EVER NICE
THINGS
POP INTO
MY HEAD.



...HIS WAY
OF BEING
CONSIDERATE

REALLY
SETS HIM
APART FROM
THE OTHER
GUYS...

AH, I
SEE. YOU
MUST'VE
WORKED
REALLY
HARD.



N-
NOTH-
ING?!

HM?
WHAT
IS IT?











EH?
WHY
DID
YOU
COME
HERE?



SORRY
FOR
BURSTING
IN ON A
WEEK-END.

NO, NO.
I'M THE ONE
WHO ASKED
YOU TO COME
HERE TO HELP
WITH MY
STUDIES...

...
WELCOME,
AIR~



HA...

AHA...
I SEE.
THANKS FOR
COMING ALL
THE WAY
HERE.





HOW
IS IT?



ARE...
HELP ME
TOO...

NEXT
IS THIS
ONE.



YEAH.

IT SEEMS
LIKE YOU
PERFECTLY
UNDER-
STAND THE
PARTS I
TAUGHT
YOU.









SAKUNO,
YOU SURE
YOU DON'T
WANT TO GO
SHOPPING
WITH HER?



YEAH
...

I
WONDER
IF ARI
CAN GET
HOME
WITHOUT
GETTING
LOST...



...OAS-
CHANG



I
GEE...

...YEAH,
HE STILL
HAS
SOME
INCREDI-
BLES
LEFT.



I'LL GO
CARRY
SENA'S
STUFF.



SENNA!

DID I
FORGET
TO BUY
ANY
THING
...?



FRESH



WH-
WHAT'S
WRONG?
WHY ARE
YOU...



I'LL CARRY
YOUR STUFF.
ALTHOUGH
YOU PRO-
BABLY THINK
I'M MIS-
TAKING



ISN'T
LATELY??

THANK
GOODNESS...
I COULDN'T SEE
YOU AROUND.
I WAS WORRIED
IF YOU GOT HERE
SAFE AND
SOUND.



...IN FACT,
IT HURTS
IT BURY
ON ME.

HAHA.
THOSE
BAGS
LOOK
REALLY
HEAVY.



NOT AT
ALL.



THAT'S
NOT WHAT
I MEANT
THOUGH...



HEY.

DID YOU
SAY
SOME-
THING?



BECAUSE IT CALMS ME... I THINK.





I DON'T LIKE
HAVING MY
FACE AND
LIFESTYLE
DISTURBED
BY ANYONE.



WHY?
EVER
SINCE THE
MERGER
STARTED,
I JUST
KEEP
CAUSING
YOU
TROUBLE.



—I
DON'T
UNDER-
STAND.

I
GUESS
YOU CAN
SAY SLEEP-
PORTING
YOU IN
THOSE
TROUBLES
CALMS
ME.



—I
GUESS SO
THANKS.

FOR
EXAMPLE,
LIKE
CARRYING
THESE
RAGS AND
STUFF.



I GUESS
YOU CAN
SAY I'M
JUST...
LIKE, THE
RIGHT MAN
IN THE
RIGHT
PLACE.



WELL...
WIDE
TASH KOL
SENA...
I AM A
GUY.
AFTER
ALL

HEY!!!
YOU'RE
PRETTY
TALL.





I'M
GETTING
ALONG
WITH
SEMA
TOO.



AH...
IT KINDA
FEELS LIKE
EVERYDAY
FEELS GOOD
AND PLEA-
SANT-



OH,
SHINGO-
CHAN.



PRIN-
CIPAL.







URUUU
AND I
DON'T
HAVE
THAT
KIND OF
RELATION-
SHIP!

AT
THAT
TIME,

I FELT A
STRANGE
PAIN IN MY
CHEST.